GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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NUCLEAR POWER GENERATION
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to enhance Nuclear Power Generation in the country;

(b) whether foreign private companies would be invited for Nuclear Power Generation in the Country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER`S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN):
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(a) Yes, Sir. The Department has been striving at enhancement of the nuclear power generation in the country.

(b) The Atomic Energy Act 1962 allows setting up of nuclear power plants only by Government or Government Companies in which not less than 51% of equity is held by the Central Government. There is no proposal currently under consideration of the Government for allowing private sector to set up nuclear power plants.

(c) Does not arise.